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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, CSPB Support Committee

SUBJECT:

NEA Division Operational Program, 1956-1957

- 1. Subject program states no requirements for training support. The additional manpower requirements for FY 1956 and FY 1957 over the enduty strength for FY 1955 suggest that specialized and advanced training, in addition to basic training, will be required in support of the program.
- 2. The varied nature and range of the projects included in the plan is such that requirements may also exist for area and language training and for specialised training courses not currently offered by the Office of Training. Since leadtime is such an important factor in language training, particularly with languages of Near East countries, and in setting up new courses of instruction, the Office of Training needs earliest notice of such requirements if the program timetable is to be met.
- J. In reviewing the program it was noted that some projects have been terminated due to lack of qualified personnel to carry them out. It is suggested that NEA consult with the Office of Training in order to determine whether training support is a key factor in such cases.
- 4. It is therefore requested that arrangements be made for consultation between the Office of Training and NEA to explore the question of training support requirements to put the NEA program into effect.

FOR THE DIRECTOR OF TRAINING:

Chief, Plans & Policy Staff

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